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## **MORNING ROAD CONDITIONS IN SHENANDOAH VALLEY**

STAUNTON – (4:30 A.M.) The freezing rain and sleet have stopped, but rain continues to fall in the Shenandoah Valley. Road conditions still exist in many areas. When driving, motorists should allow extra time for their trip and leave plenty of room between vehicles on the roadway.

Here are the early morning road conditions for Wednesday:

Interstate 66 – Minor conditions in Warren County.

Interstate 64 – Minor conditions in Alleghany, Rockbridge, and Augusta counties.

Interstate 81 – Minor conditions in Rockbridge, Augusta, Rockingham, Shenandoah and Frederick counties.

Primary roads – Moderate conditions in Shenandoah and Frederick and counties. Minor conditions in Alleghany, Bath, Rockbridge, Augusta, Highland, Rockingham, Page, Warren and Clarke counties.

Secondary roads – Moderate conditions in Alleghany, Bath, Shenandoah, Frederick, Clarke, Page and Warren counties. Minor conditions in Rockbridge, Augusta, Rockingham and Highland counties.

Motorists are reminded that ice and freezing rain conditions can still produce hazardous driving conditions, even when roads are treated. People should not drive unless absolutely necessary. People who are driving in winter road conditions should use extra caution particularly on bridges, overpasses, curves, hills and ramps.

Traffic alerts and traveler information can be obtained by dialing 511. In areas where 511 is unavailable, dial 1-866-MY511VA (866-695-1182) (TTY/TDD users, call 711). Traffic alerts and traveler information also are available at [511Virginia.org](http://511Virginia.org).

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Road condition definitions:

Severe – drifting or partially blocked road. Snow tires or chains are necessary.

Moderate – snow or ice on major portions of the roadway. Snow tires or chains are advisable.

Minor – bare pavement except for isolated spots of snow, ice or slush. Driving with caution is recommended

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